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SUBJECT: TAKFIR: FURTHER CHARGES; FURTHER DELAYS

1. ADDITIONAL 198 INDIVIDUALS WERE INDICTED SEPTEMBER 5
FOR MEMBERSHIP IN TAKFIR WA HEGIRA, IDENTIFIED AS "CLAN-
DESTINE ORGANIZATION WHOSE BASIC AIM IS UNDERMINE ES-
TABLISHED SOCIETY." THIS CASE, SIMILARLY TO ONE CONCERNING
THOSE DIRECTLY IMPLICATED IN DHAHABI ASSASSINATION,
WAS REFERRED TO MILITARY COURTS-MARTIAL. THERE NO INDICATION
WHEN SECOND SET OF TRIALS WILL START.

2. TRIAL DHAHABI'S KILLERS AND THEIR ACCOMPLICES HAS BEEN
FURTHER POSTPONED. COURT-MARTIAL, SEPTEMBER 3, AGREED
TO GIVE DEFENSE COUNSELS FURTHER WEEK TO STUDY CHARGES
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AGAINST DEFENDANTS. ADDITIONALLY, COURT AGREED REVIEW
BAR ASSOCIATION CHAIRMAN'S CONTENTION THAT ACCUSED SHOULD
BE TRIED BY CIVIL AND NOT MILITARY COURT. TRIAL WILL BE
RESUMED SEPTEMBER 10.

3. COMMENT: COURT'S WILLINGNESS TO CONSIDER THIS MOTION
INDICATIVE OF EXTENT TO WHICH GOE ATTEMPTING INSURE

APPEARANCE OF FAIRNESS IN TAKFIR CASE. WHILE 198
ADDITIONAL DEFENDANTS WERE CHARGED, 203 INDIVIDUALS
WERE RELEASED FROM DETENTION AS RESULT LACK OF EVIDENCE.
PROSECUTOR ALSO DECLINED BRING CHARGES AGAINST JUVENILES
IMPLICATED IN ORGANIZATION. ADDITIONALLY, COURT HAS NOT
ALLOWED ALLEGATIONS OF MISTREATMENT BY POLICE TO GO
COMPLETELY UNANSWERED AND INSISTED, AT SEPTEMBER 3
HEARING, THAT MILITARY PROSECUTOR PRODUCE WITHOUT DELAY
MEDICAL REPORTS ON THOSE CLAIMING TORTURE. CONCERN WITH
IMPARTIALITY, HOWEVER, IS AFFECTING SPEED OF TRIAL,
MAJOR FACTOR WHICH GOE CITED IN OPTING FOR MILITARY
RESOLUTION THESE CASES.
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